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The Earth has been STOLEN! The sky burns while mysterious cosmic objects crash down from above, wreaking havoc across the globe! Most of the world's heroes and villains have been trapped in a mysterious stasis, leaving only a handful of Avengers as the planet's last line of defense.

The long-awaited return of Voyager, the lost founding Avenger, bolstered the spirits of the remaining heroes--but not for long. Two powerful and deadly groups--the Lethal Legion and the Black Order--have arrived on Earth for an unknown competition. And to clear the playing field, the Black Order annihilated Avengers Mansion...with the Avengers still inside!

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THE AVENGERS

FALCON
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VISION
(IN STASIS)

WASP
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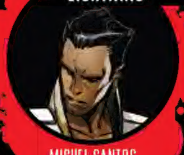
HERCULES

UNAFFILIATED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MIGUEL SANTOS

VOYAGER
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THE BLACK ORDER

PROXIMA MIDNIGHT

BLACK SWAN

BLACK DWARF

EBONY MAW

SUPERGIANT

CORVUS GLAIVE

THE LETHAL LEGION

CAPTAIN GLORY

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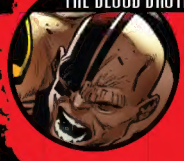
FERENE THE OTHER

METAL MASTER


THE BLOOD BROTHERS

MENTACLE

AS USUAL, I NOTICE IT BEFORE ANYONE ELSE.
A SUDDEN DIP IN THE AIR PRESSURE.
THE FAINT TASTE OF ELECTRICITY ON MY TONGUE.
SOMETHING'S HAPPENING TO THE MANSION...
OF COURSE!
EARTH'S MIGHTIEST HEROES, ALL GATHERED IN ONE PLACE...THE PERFECT TARGET...
I MUST EVACUATE THE BUILDING AS SWIFTLY AS POSSIBLE--
--BUT EVEN FOR ME, THERE'S NO TIME!
THERE'S NO--

IN THE TICK OF A SECOND, THE AVENGERS ARE NO MORE. I'D ASSUMED OUR STRIKE WOULD FEEL THRILLING, NOT ANTICLIMACTIC.
EXPLAIN AGAIN HOW PLANET EARTH WAS CHOSEN AS THE PLAYING FIELD BECAUSE OF ITS "UNIQUE DEFENSES."
THERE'S NOTHING UNIQUE ABOUT DYING AT THE HANDS OF THE BLACK ORDER.
...
THEY DID DIE...?
WITHOUT QUESTION.
A TELEPATHIC SWEEP OF THE AREA REVEALS NO SIGN OF LIFE.
"EARTH'S MIGHTIEST HEROES"?

"THEY'RE GONE."
WHERE--
--WHERE ARE WE--?
I FORGOT THIS PLACE EVEN EXISTED...
...AUXILIARY... AVENGERS HEADQUARTERS...
VOYAGER!
...NEVER HANDLED...THIS BIG A GROUP BEFORE...
...I'M FINE, WANDA...JUST NEED...A MINUTE...
THE BLACK ORDER STRUCK US? WE NEED TO STRIKE BACK!
LIGHTNING, GET IT TOGETHER.
OH, SURE. MASS-TELEPORTED AWAY FROM AN EXPLOSION CAUSED BY ALIEN SUPER VILLAINS...
...NOTHING TO SEE HERE, OFFICER...

WE CAN'T AFFORD A MOMENT'S HESITATION!
THE WORLD IS IN JEOPARDY!
WE ARE THE AVENGERS!
WE DO NOT PLAY DEFENSE!
QUICKSILVER, WE'RE MILES AWAY NOW.
LOOK AT VOYAGER! SHE CLEARLY NEEDS TO RECHARGE, SO UNLESS YOU PLAN ON RUNNING US BACK TO MANHATTAN ONE BY ONE--
FALCON'S RIGHT. AS MUCH AS WE MIGHT WANT TO POUND THE ORDER INTO EXTRATERRESTRIAL PASTE--
--LET'S AT LEAST TAKE A FEW MINUTES TO STRATEGIZE!
THERE'S WAY TOO MUCH WE DON'T KNOW-- LIKE WHAT'S IMMOBILIZIN' CERTAIN AVENGERS IN MID-STRIDE, AND WHY.
NEAR AS AH CAN TELL, THAT'S NOT A TYPICAL BLACK ORDER PLAY, WHICH MEANS THERE'S SOMETHIN' ELSE INVOLVED--
--BUT WHAT?

"FOR WHEN THE ONE GREAT SCORER COMES TO WRITE AGAINST YOUR NAME...
"HE WRITES-- NOT THAT YOU WON OR LOST-- BUT HOW YOU PLAYED THE GAME."
GRANTLAND RICE.
I SHALL MISS THE PEOPLE OF EARTH, I THINK.
IN SOME WAYS... THEY ALMOST UNDERSTAND...
HRRRRH.
THEY UNDERSTAND NOTHING, GRANDMASTER.

YOU UNDERSTAND NOTHING.
YOU CHOSE THIS BOARD--NOW MY PAWNS CONTROL IT. AND THE GAME HAS NOT EVEN BEGUN.
BUT PLEASE... INDULGE YOUR SENTIMENT. IT WILL COMFORT YOU AS YOU CEASE TO EXIST.
...
FIRST MOVES, THEN, CHALLENGER. EACH TO HIS ELEMENT.
I WILL CHOOSE EARTH.
SENTIMENT, AS YOU SAY.
HRRH. A WEAKLING TO THE END.
I...
...WILL CHOOSE FIRE.

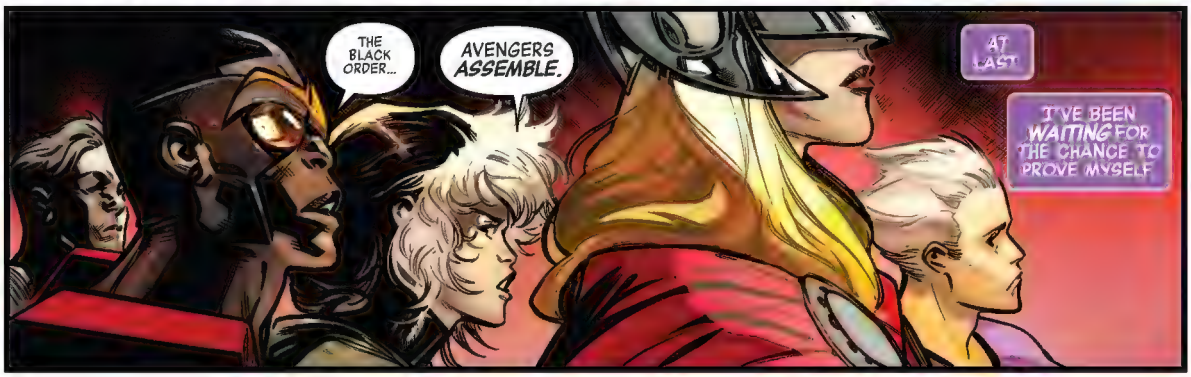
...GLAD TO HEAR YOU'RE ALIVE, DOCTOR HO. I WAS WORRIED.
JARVIS? JARVIS IS, AH...
HOSP
MIDTOWN MANHATTAN.
...NOT GOOD.
HIS BIOSCAN IS ALL OVER THE PLACE--PARTICULARLY HIS ENCEPHALOGRAM.
IT IS AS IF HIS BRAIN IS FIGHTING ITSELF! I'VE NEVER SEEN ANYTHING LIKE IT!
WASP AND I ARE DOING WHAT WE CAN.
LET'S HOPE IT'S ENOUGH.
SO, DOES THIS CALL MEAN COMMS ARE BACK UP?
AVENGERS AUXILIARY HQ.
KINDA SORTA, BEAST. MY PEOPLE AT A.I.M. FERRIED OVER SOME OF MY STUFF VIA STEALTH DRONE, ALONG WITH SUPPLIES--AS IN COFFEE--
--ENOUGH FOR ME TO GET TO WORK.
WE DON'T HAVE SATELLITES, BUT WE HAVE FIBER OPTICS AND HACKED TV TOWERS--AND ANY MINUTE NOW, WE SHOULD HAVE A WORKING...
AROOGAROOGAROOGA
...GLOBAL ALERT SYSTEM.
GOTTA GO. KEEP IN TOUCH.

NEWS REPORTS SAY IT STARTED WITH A COLUMN OF LIGHT BLAZING UP INTO THE SKY IN ROME--THE COLOSSEUM--

--AND ANOTHER ONE IN PERU, THAT WAS TEN MINUTES AGO.

BOTH SITES ARE NOW SUFFERING RAPID AND SEVERE ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS, WITH--GET THIS--

--A SIDE ORDER OF ALIEN INVADERS.



ALL RIGHT. I SAY WE ORGANIZE TWO AWAY TEAMS--ONE PER THREAT--PLUS A RESERVE UNIT BACK HERE.
VOYAGER--CAN YOU BE TRANSPORT?
RIGHT ON, CITIZEN V.
JERICHO AND I WILL STAY HERE--
--SO WE CAN USE MAGIC TO TRY AND UN-PAUSE OUR FROZEN COMRADES.
GOOD THINKING. IF WE CAN FREE THEM, WE'LL HAVE ALL THE REINFORCEMENTS WE NEED.
GOOD WANDA'S PROBABLY SAFER HERE
SHE'S STRONGER THAN SHE ONCE WAS, BUT STILL VULNERABLE ON THE BATTLEFIELD
I'LL LEAD A SQUAD TO PERU. LOOKS LIKE SOME KIND OF FIRESTORM BREWING IN THE CUSCO MOUNTAINS.
SO WE'LL NEED TORCH...
RED HULK, IF HE'S AVAILABLE...
LEMME JUST START THE HOUR OF POWER...
SYNAPSE...
AND WONDER MAN--ARE YOU STILL A PACIFIST?
YES--BUT I CAN STILL HELP SAVE LIVES, FALC.
GOOD ENOUGH.
HMM. SO I HAVE TO WORK WITH ROGUE.
AWKWARD, BUT I'LL MAKE DO
OKAY. AH CALL ROME.
IF IT IS THE BLACK ORDER, WE'RE GONNA NEED HEAVY HITTERS. FIGURE THAT MEANS THOR...
HERCULES...
LIGHTNING...
OKAY--BUT THOR MIGHT HAVE THE "LIGHTNING" PART COVERED--
SO LIGHTNING'S GONNA STRIKE TWICE.
AND FINALLY...
JUST SAY IT ALREADY. YOU NEED MY SUPER-SPEED--
...CANNONBALL.

CANNONBALL?
A HEAVY HITTER?
WELL, I AM NIGH-INVULNERABLE WHEN I'M--
DON'T SAY IT! DON'T YOU DARE SAY IT!
I KNEW YOU WHEN YOU WERE IN SHORT PANTS!
AND YOU! YOU'RE LEAVING ME BEHIND? TO DO WHAT?
MAKE COFFEE AT THE SPEED OF SOUND?
ACTUALLY--
SHUT UP, DOCTOR!
...
IT'S PRETTY SIMPLE, PIETRO. AH NEED PEOPLE AH CAN COUNT ON OUT THERE.
AND THAT AIN'T YOU.
PIETRO...
LEAVE ME ALONE, EMILY. I DON'T WANT YOUR PITY.
VOYAGER?
UM... RIGHT.
FIRST STOP, ROME...

...BE READY FOR ANYTHING!

A FITTING STAGE FOR BATTLE, EH, HERCULES?

AYE! ZEUS HIMSELF COULD NOT HAVE CHOSEN BETTER!

BEHIND US, LEGION!

THE OBSTACLES ARE HE--

KRAKOOM

EEEEEEERRR--!

GEEZ...HARD NOT TO FEEL OUTCLASSED BY THE GOD OF THUNDER...

ROGUE, I NEED TO RETURN TO NEW YORK AND TRANSPORT THE OTHER TEAM, BUT--

IT'S OKAY, SUGAH. WE GOT THIS!

GO, GO!

WHAT'S THE WORD FROM ROME?

"TROUBLESOME."

DO YOU THINK WE CAN HANDLE THIS?

WE'RE THE AVENGERS, SAM...

CUSCO, PERU.
...IT'S WHAT WE DO.
OKAY, TEAM, LET'S GO!

INCREDIBLE. AN UNDERGROUND WAREHOUSE AND A BOMB-PROOF VAULT-- ALL EMPTY. THE AVENGERS HQ THAT NEVER WAS.

I WONDER IF TONY STARK EVEN REMEMBERS SETTING THIS UP...*

THE CHANGE OF SURROUNDINGS HASN'T AFFECTED OUR FRIENDS, UNFORTUNATELY.

*IT WAS SET UP WAY BACK IN AVENGERS #13, (1965). --TOM

NO MOVEMENT, AND NO SIGN THAT THEY'RE AWARE OF THEIR CURRENT PREDICAMENT EITHER.

WHATEVER IS KEEPING THEM IN STASIS, IT DOESN'T APPEAR TO BE MYSTICAL IN NATURE.

AGREED. THOUGH I DON'T SEE HOW TECHNOLOGY COULD CAUSE THIS EFFECT EITHER...

HMMPH. DOING NOTHING WHILE THE OTHERS FIGHT AROUND THE GLOBE...

IT'S SHAMEFUL.

WE ALL HAVE OUR ROLES TO PLAY, PIETRO.

TRUE, BUT MINE ISN'T HERE.

ROGUE MADE IT CLEAR SHE DOESN'T TRUST YOU.

I'D SUGGEST FOLLOWING ORDERS TO TRY AND WIN BACK A BIT OF RESPECT INSTEAD OF--

VOOOM

--DOING THAT.

YOU'RE NOT HIS KEEPER, WANDA.

MORE'S THE PITY.

YEARS OF LOYALTY AND HARD WORK WIPED AWAY BECAUSE I'M NOT THE PERFECT SOLDIER...
...BECAUSE I MADE A MISTAKE.
I COULD TRY A HEX TO SEE IF IT DISTORTS REALITY ENOUGH TO FREE ONE OF THEM.
SURPRISE, UGLY-BRO!
BWHU--!
A MISTAKE THAT NEARLY COST EMILY HER LIFE.
IT WEIGHS ON ME EVERY SINGLE DAY.
GIVEN THE RISK INVOLVED, I SUSPECT VISION MAY WORK BEST AS A TEST CASE.
HIS SYNTHEZOID MAKEUP IS THE MOST RESILIENT. AND HIS CONNECTION WITH YOU MAY HELP CREATE A SYMPATHETIC RESONANCE WITH YOUR SPELLCASTING.
YOUR STRENGTH IS GREAT, BUT I SHALL PREVAIL!
RRRRRR--!
EVERY SCRAP OF METAL ON THIS PITIFUL PLANET IS MINE TO CONTROL!

WANDA ACTING HOLIER THAN THOU
MAKING ME FEEL WEAK...
HAS SHE SO QUICKLY FORGOTTEN HER OWN SINS?
IF METAL IS YOUR WISH, THEN THOR SHALL BE HAPPY TO GIVE YOU A TASTE OF MYSTIC MJOLNIR!
INDEED--
YOUR HAMMER IS UNLIKE ANY METAL I'VE SEEN BEFORE!
IT'S DELIGHTFUL!
SKREEE-THOOM
UNNH!
AGGH!

ROGUE'S TEAM IS ALREADY ROUTED.
ONLY CANNONBALL AND I REMAIN.
NNNN--!
OBSTACLES HALTED.
THE PYRAMOID POINT IS OURS, BLOOD BROTHERS, RETRIEVE IT.
NOW IT'S JUST ME.
BAM
OW.
EVEN BETTER.
KLEP
HUH?
BAM
HEY!
BAM
A SPEEDING OBSTACLE!
NO ONE TO ORDER ME AROUND...
...NO ONE TO HOLD ME BACK.

I'LL MAKE THINGS RIGHT AND SHOW THEM ALL THAT PIETRO MAXIMOFF CANNOT BE--
WANDA...
--STOPPED.
YOU DID IT!
...WHERE ARE WE?
THERE YOU ARE!
LOOKS LIKE THEIR ZIPSTER RAN OUT OF "ZIP"...
TAKE THE OBSTACLE OUT OF PLAY.
HEH.

OUR PLEASURE!
THOM
THOM
CONTINUED NEXT WEEK!

COME BACK NEXT WEEK FOR MORE...

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The Avengers are caught in a game of cosmic proportions, but they don't know the rules--and one of them is about to pay the ultimate price! THE FIRST AVENGER FALLS!

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